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by Jerry Savelle

Dreaming

Has God placed a dream in your heart that has not yet come to pass? Perhaps your dream is so big that its fulfillment seems impossible. If so, you're not alone. All of us have dreams and desires, yet oftentimes the things we desire from God are beyond our natural ability to accomplish.

Abraham was one such man. Although he was advanced in age and his wife was barren, God promised him a child and, at the designated time, that promise was fulfilled. Earlier God had spoken to Abraham, saying, *"Get out of your country from your family and from your father's house, to a land that I will show you. I will make you a great nation; I will bless you and make your name great; and you shall be a blessing"* (Genesis 12:1–2). Notice that when God spoke to Abraham, He never laid out the complete picture of his life. When He told Abraham to leave his country, God didn't tell him where he was going or how to get there, yet Abraham obeyed.

God isn't going to lay out all the details of a dream before us; He gives us one piece of the puzzle at a time. It's up to us to connect each of the pieces by faith in His Word. Each step toward a dream must be taken in faith. That's just what Abraham did.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out of the place which he would receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he dwelt in the land of promise as in a foreign country,

dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise, for he waited for the city which has foundations, whose builder and maker is God (Hebrews 11:8–10).

Are you looking for the manifestation of what God has promised you? The Bible says, *But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him* (Hebrews 11:6). If we want to see our God-given dreams fulfilled, it's up to us to create and live in an atmosphere of faith, because the Bible says, *Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen* (Hebrews

11:1). Even in times when it looks as if a dream will never come to pass, we must stand firm in our faith in God and the integrity of His Word, knowing

that in *due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart* (Galatians 6:9).

Over my forty-eight years of ministry I've had many dreams fulfilled. Some manifested seemingly overnight and some took twenty years to come to pass. Others still have not yet come to be, but I never lose heart.

Whether you are a new Christian or a seasoned believer, the principles I am about to lay forth will help propel you into the destiny God has established for you in this life.

God wants all who have faith in Jesus Christ to live the abundant life, to walk in prosperity, and live in His absolute best at all times.

"God isn't going to lay out all the details of a dream before us; He gives us one piece of the puzzle at a time."

I've had people say, "Brother Jerry, I'm a believer and I walk in faith and obedience to God, so why am I having such trouble in seeing my dream come to pass?" Jesus identified the problem when He said, *"I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture. The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they might have life and that they might have it more abundantly"* (Romans 10:9–10).

Everything we need and desire is found in Jesus; however, there is also a thief who wants to steal, kill, and destroy everything God has promised us. Satan's goal is to steal our dreams; he knows if he can steal our dreams, he can control our destiny.

Satan Is the Dream Stealer

Satan's number one tool used against believers is fear. The first thing the devil wants you to do is question God's faithfulness, just as he did in the garden when he asked, *"Has God indeed said, 'You shall not eat of every tree of the garden?'"* (Genesis 3:1). The devil loves it when believers question the integrity of God's Word. He knows that once fear comes out of the mouth of believers, he has succeeded in getting them to oppose their own nature.

The Bible identifies fear as a spirit: *For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind* (2 Timothy 1:7). It also says that *perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves torment* (1 John 4:18). Fear is not something we should ever "put up with"—we are to cast it out!

Just as faith comes by hearing, so does fear. The devil will begin by instilling doubt, and once we believe his lies he will then back us into a corner until we are absolutely tormented with fear. I've seen too many believers who

have fallen into this trap; don't be one of them! Address the fear head on and cast it out in the name of Jesus! Feed your spirit on the Word of God, listen to faith-building messages, and spend time in the presence of God. I can assure you—*faith will come!*

Right now you may feel as if you're at the bottom of the barrel, as if everything you've done to build your dream has amounted to nothing. Don't listen to the lies of the enemy for one more minute. It's time to rise up and recapture

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your dream. Declare this out loud: "I can do all things through Christ, who strengthens me. I am more than a conqueror through Him who loves me. Jesus has given me authority over *all* the power of the enemy; therefore I will not fear. I will see my dream come to pass as I hold fast the confession of my faith without wavering, for He who promised is faithful!"

As you continue to stand on God's Word, exercising your faith in the dream He's given you, I want to give you four practical steps you can take to advance the fulfillment of your dream: (1) write the dream, (2) communicate with God, (3) sow into the dreams of others, and (4) talk to other dreamers.

Write the Dream

You need to know where you're going so that you can set your goals for getting there. The Lord instructed the prophet Habakkuk to *"Write the vision and make it plain on tablets, that he may run*

who reads it. For the vision is yet for an appointed time; but at the end it will speak, and it will not lie. Though it tarries, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry (Habakkuk 2:2–3).

Every time you read the vision that God has put in your heart, you are enabled to run with it. Reading the vision keeps you focused and motivated; it propels you forward.

What is the dream God has put in your heart? What causes you to look forward to rising up each and every new day? Write the dream and keep it before your eyes: on your computer, in your Bible, and on your mobile device. Though it may tarry, it will surely come to pass.

Communicate with God

God's plan is for your dream to become reality. God said, *"I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will guide you with My eye"* (Psalm 32:8). If you're going to hear God's plan for making your dream come to pass, you've got to communicate with Him. You've got to shut yourself away in a quiet place to pray and to listen to Him.

T.L. Osborn once told me, "Tranquility produces creativity. Surround yourself with things that bring peace to you. When you do, you'll always be creative. If you like flowers and trees, plant them everywhere; then, when you walk around your yard, the tranquility will cause creativity."

Find the place in your home that surrounds you with the greatest peace and tranquility. Make this your private place to commune with God and to seek His wisdom, for He said, *"And you will seek Me and find Me, when you search for Me with all your heart"* (Jeremiah 29:13).

Sow into the Dreams of Others

One of the most important things you can do to see your vision come to pass is to sow into the dreams of another. In order to possess something that you do not yet have, you have to be willing to plant something that you *do* have. This is the same principle that the farmer operates on. If he wants a harvest of corn, he must first be willing to plant the seed that he has.

Your dream will never come to pass until you sow toward that dream. Jesus said, *"Give, and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your bosom. For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you"* (Luke 6:38). Get involved in somebody else's dream; sow into it. Every seed produces after its own kind. If you help make another's dream come to pass, God will see to it that others will get involved in your dream.

Talk to Other Dreamers

In His Sermon on the Mount, Jesus made this statement: *"Do not give what is holy to the dogs; nor cast your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn and tear you in pieces"* (Matthew 7:6). In other words, don't share your dream with anyone who is not also a dreamer.

Talking to other dreamers can be a faith-building experience, one that can help you learn more about where you are in relation to your own dream. When you talk with other dreamers who have stepped out in faith, you realize you're not alone. Their faith-filled words will help motivate you to do the impossible.

Dreamers know that God will give them supernatural ability beyond their own natural ability to accomplish their dreams. These are the people you want to talk to about your dreams, for they will tell you that *nothing is impossible* when you put your trust in the living God.

Doubters, on the other hand, are those who discourage you from moving forward, saying things like, "Did God *really* tell you to do that?"

or "You'll never be able to pull that off!" They'll give you a thousand reasons why your dream is impossible, never knowing that the enemy is using them in an attempt to plant a seed of doubt in your heart.

Despite the words of the naysayers, don't give up. Don't allow the words of negative people to cause you to draw back from your dream. They may use facts to discourage you, saying you don't have enough money or you don't have any training in what God has called you to do. These may be the facts, but they are not the truth, for the Word of God says, *I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me* (Philippians 4:13). They may tell you that you don't have the right educational background, or your skin is the wrong color, or you are not the right gender. Despite what they say, don't give up.

If God has placed a dream in your heart, just say yes to Him. Determine in your heart that if God says you can do it, then you can do it. You have the assurance from the Word of God that your dream will surely come to pass. Though it tarry, wait for it. Take your stand firmly on the Word of God, refuse to fear... and *never stop dreaming!*



DON'T ALLOW THE ENEMY TO TAKE YOUR POWER!

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Lubbock, TX 2nd
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Heritage of Faith Christian Center
Crowley, TX 9th
10:00 AM

Champions4Christ Youth Rally
Branson, MO 25th
7:00 PM

Church on the Rock
St. Peters, MO 26th
7:00 PM

Family Harvest Church
Tinley Park, IL 27-28th
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Heritage of Faith Christian Center
Crowley, TX 30th
7:00 PM

SWBC (Southwest Believers' Convention)
Fort Worth Convention Center 30-5th AUGUST
All week long

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Heritage of Faith Christian Center
Crowley, TX 6th
10:00 AM

Covenant of Faith Church
Navaho Nation Hidden Springs, AZ 10th
7:00 PM

West Coast Believers Center Intl.
Visalia, CA 13th
11:00 AM

Firebaugh Faith Fellowship
Firebaugh, CA 13th
6:00 PM

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Biker Bash Texas
Decatur, TX 2nd
7:00 PM

Christian Worship Center
Natchitoches, LA 10th
11:00 AM & 6 PM

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Heritage of Faith Christian Center
Crowley, TX

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Jerry Savelle - Saturday, 16th @ 7pm

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Montebello, CA 18th
7:00 PM

Kern Christian Center
Bakersfield, CA 19th
7:00 PM

Valley Faith Fellowship
Delano, CA 20th
7:00 PM

West Coast Believers Center Intl.
Visalia, CA 22nd
11:00 AM

Canaan Land
DAYS OF GLORY CONFERENCE 27th
Autaugaville, GA
7:00 PM

Heritage of Faith Christian Center
Crowley, TX 29th
10:00 AM



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A photograph of two women in conversation. The woman on the left, with long brown hair, wears a red polo shirt and a lanyard with a blue and white ID badge. She is smiling warmly. The woman on the right, seen from the back, has blonde hair and wears a white t-shirt. The background is slightly blurred, showing a mission event with racks of green shirts and posters of a woman and a child.

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WHEN YOU PARTNER, YOU ARE HELPING TO SHARE
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AROUND THE WORLD.





DREAM *the* IMPOSSIBLE DREAM

by Carolyn Savelle

When Jerry and I married 51 years ago, we went to Six Flags for our honeymoon. (I know, don't laugh.) It had just opened and it was a new and exciting place that I wanted to experience.

You have to know I was only 17 years old. Yes, Jerry "robbed the cradle" (Actually, he was only 19 himself.)

In one of the musical revues, they sang a song that Jerry and I heard for the first time. We were totally mesmerized by it and by the words; it became "our song."

These are the words which you'll probably recognize:

*To dream the impossible dream
To fight the unbeatable foe
To bear with unbearable sorrow
To run where the brave dare not go*

*To right the unrightable wrong
To love pure and chaste from afar
To try when your arms are too weary
To reach the unreachable star*

*This is my quest, to follow that star
No matter how hopeless, no matter how far
To fight for the right, without question or cause
To be willing to march into hell, for a heavenly cause*

*And I know if I will only be true to this glorious quest
That my heart will be peaceful and calm when I'm laid to my rest
And the world will be better for this
That one man, scorned and covered with scars
Still strove with his last ounce of courage
To fight the unbeatable foe, to reach the unreachable star*

Many years later while in New York at a Broadway play we discovered that this song was from Man of LaMancha. Even when I hear it today, it touches my heart.

Actually, that's the story of our lives. We've been "Dreaming Impossible Dreams" since we discovered the truth in God's Word. Habakkuk 2:2 (KJV) says to, "Write the vision, make it plain on paper".

The Message Translation says: "Then God answers, write this. Write what you see. Write it out in big block letters so that it can be read on the run. The vision message is a witness pointing to what's coming."

This is what we've done all of our Christian lives. How exciting it was to find out 48 years ago that I could write my vision, dreams and goals down on paper. And that I had the right to imagine it. That way of thinking was totally revolutionary to me.

One of the first scriptures that became so real was Proverbs 24:3-4, "Through skillful and godly wisdom is a house, a life, a home, a family built and by understanding it is established on a sound and good foundation, and by knowledge shall the chambers of its every area, be filled with all precious and pleasant riches."

At that time I had plastic framed pictures from a "double discount" store, and we used furniture that was family "throw-aways". It was junk and needed to be burned.

I began thinking about what I wanted. I cut out pictures from magazines, visited furniture stores and looked at the beautiful room displays. I began creating a vision on the inside of me of things that, in the natural, I couldn't have because we didn't have the money to buy them. But I found out that I had faith and that my faith could produce it! Back then, sometimes we didn't even have the money to buy food. Jerry would walk the roads picking up discarded Coke bottles to trade in for 5 cents apiece so we could afford bread and milk for our girls. But, we could dream!

God said to Abraham, "Lift up now your eyes and look from the place where you are..." (Gen 13:14) He was encouraging Abraham to get a vision. That's why he told him to go outside and to count the stars and to hold the sand in his hand in order for him to get a vision of how many descendants he would have.

We would write our vision; Jerry calls it the prayer of petition. We put everything down on paper, along with the Scriptures that pertained to what we were believing God for. Then we would date it and sign it. Our daughters couldn't even write - they wrote just little squiggly scratches. I love looking at those papers today.

My daughter, Terri, is known for encouraging people to build vision boards by finding images in magazines, catalogs and brochures that illustrate where they want to go, what they want to do, what they want to become and to create a vision board as big as they can imagine.

I think our prayers of petition were our way of creating a vision board way back then but we did not know to call it that.

Imagination is the gift God has given to us that makes all things possible.

Imagination creates dreams.

Imagination is defined as the act or power of forming a mental image of something not present to the senses or never before wholly perceived in reality; it's creative ability, or the creation of the mind.

Hebrews 11:3: *"Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear."* It says that everything we can see is made out of something we cannot see. This means that everything we can see pre-existed in the mind of God. God imagined what He wanted to create, then spoke it into existence. *"God said, and it was so."*

God created the world through His imagination. That is also the way that your world is created. The eyes of faith is what will bring to pass your vision, your dreams, and your goals. Nothing will just happen in your life to you unless you first get a picture of it on the inside.

I had a vision of the home that we are now living in, but I first had to draw it on paper before we could hammer the first nail. You have to see it on the inside first.

I heard Brother Copeland say

years ago, we think in images and not words. When you think dog you don't see the letters that spell D-O-G. You see a picture of a dog, a black dog or a brown dog or a white dog. You see a picture of your dog.

Our minds think in images and not words.

Proverbs 23:18, tells us that we are what we think in our heart. I have heard Jerry say for years, "Your life moves in the direction of your most dominant thoughts." I've also heard him say, "You are the sum total today of what you thought about yesterday."

Spend time thinking and imagining great big lofty thoughts. Great big lofty thoughts only come with spending time in fellowship with the heavenly Father and allowing the Holy Spirit to create these images on the inside of you. We become what we behold.

2 Corinthians 3:18, *"But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory just as by the Spirit of the Lord."* If you stay in His presence you can't help but have your thinking changed.

We become what we think in our hearts.

You are never too old to dream! There's no time limit on the age that you have to stop dreaming! As long as you have breath you can dream. To lose hope and stop

dreaming is to lose everything.

I want to give you some scriptures that will encourage you to imagine and to dream.

"Delight thyself also in the Lord: and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart." -Psalm 37:4

"God grants the desires of those who fear him." -Psalm 145:19 (NLT)

"How the king shouts with joy because you give him victory. For you have given him his heart's desires; you have withheld nothing he requested." -Psalm 21:2

"Therefore I say unto you, what things so ever you desire, when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you shall have them." -Mark 11:24

"If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you." - John 15:7

It's time to start dreaming again!!!

CAROLYN SAVELLE



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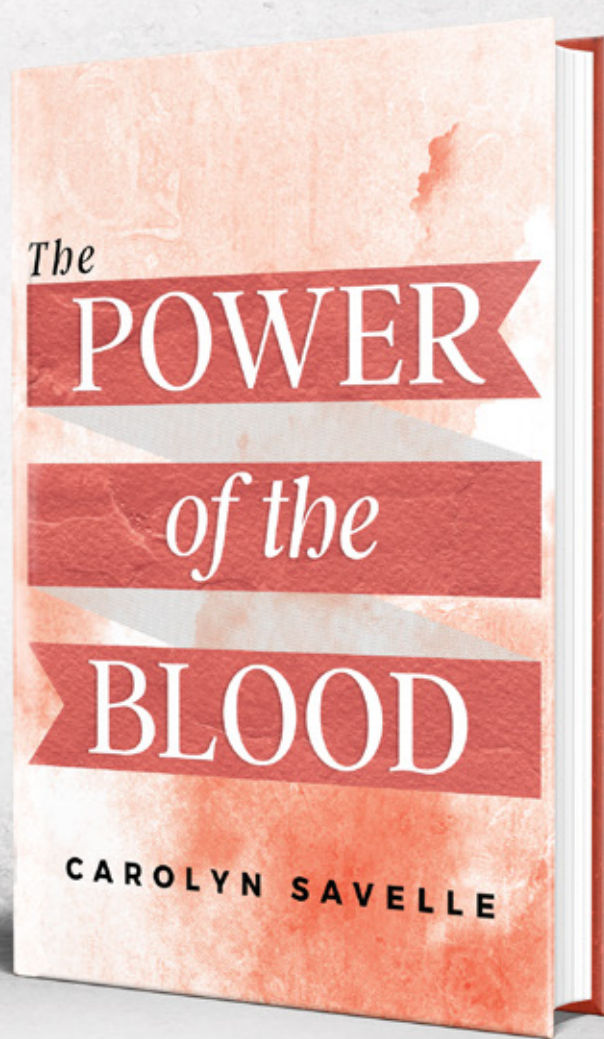
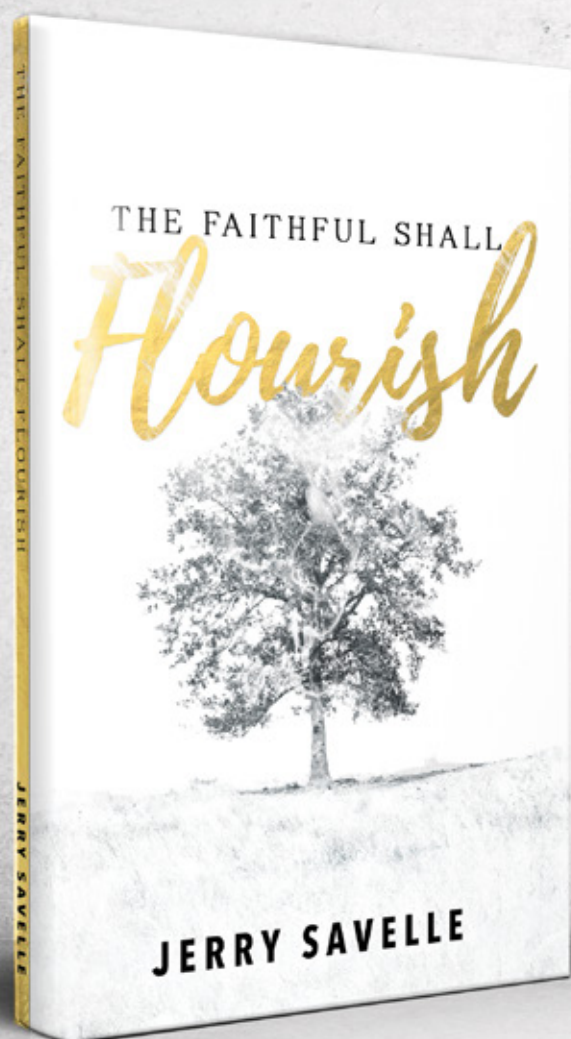
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GOD, REDEEMER OF DREAMS

by Jerriann Savelle

You may be reading this right now and have recently gone through a very difficult time in your life, perhaps a divorce, loss of job, or challenging health issue. Whatever it is, I'm here to tell you that life is not over! Yes, you may feel kicked in the gut and the wind knocked out of you, but it's time to get back up and let God begin to restore your hope and restore your dreams!

In John 10:10 Jesus promised us abundant life. The Message Translation says, "*more and better life than they ever dreamed of.*" As a child of God, that promise belongs to you – better life than

you ever dreamed of! So, what does that look like for you?

I encourage you to get alone in a quiet place with pen and paper and begin to write down what "better life than you ever dreamed of" looks like - spiritually, financially, physically, every area of your life! Then I challenge you to take daily steps towards those dreams. As nice it would be, dreams are not usually dumped in our laps, we have to go after them! But the Bible does tell us that our steps are ordered by Him (Psalm 37:23). So, when you are following after God's plan and purpose for your life, then each step will cause you to be one step closer to your dream!

When you have a goal and purpose in front of you, it gives you a reason to get up every morning to accomplish all that God has for you that day! It's not God's best that we just exist - we should be thriving and flourishing in life, but you have to have the vision to get there!

I want to warn you that while you're going after your dream the opportunity to get discouraged will come. Either because it's not happening quickly enough or by

looking at what others have accomplished and beginning to compare yourself. Proverbs 4:27 (MSG) says, *"Keep your eyes straight ahead; ignore all sideshow distractions."* You must realize that God has a set time and set course specifically for you. Don't get hung up on the timeframe, just stay focused on reaching the goal and fulfilling your dreams! He has a purpose for your life that only YOU can accomplish!

"It's not God's best that we just exist - we should be thriving and flourishing in life, but you have to have the vision to get there!"

Of course, the enemy wants those dreams that have been planted deep down inside of you to lie dormant, stay stagnant, and never come to fruition. Don't let him win! Get your fight back - begin to dream again, and dream big - you serve a big God! He wants the very best for you! He doesn't want you barely getting by. He wants you driving the best, living in the best, having the best job, and being married to the best spouse for you! Believe that and don't settle for less!

Will you do it? Will you

get alone, close your eyes, and allow the Holy Spirit to rebirth those God-given dreams deep down on the inside of you? Then make a decision to go after them! It's never too late and you're not too old - the best is yet to come!



JERRIANN SAVELLE

Jerriann is an author, speaker and mother to six beautiful children in Granbury, Texas. Jerriann is called to help others by sharing her story of hope, healing and freedom from low self esteem and insecurity. Find out more about her at www.Jerriann.org



The
FORCE
of Momentum

by Terri Savelle Foy

When I was in high school, my eyesight became so bad I couldn't read anything on the chalkboard. At the football games, I couldn't read the scoreboard (and I was a cheerleader doing backflips for the wrong team)! I did not want to wear glasses, but then I failed the eye exam for driver's Ed so my mom had to take me to the optometrist to get a proper examination and prescription.

I remember the doctor explaining that I was "near-sighted." I argued that I could see things up close. He explained that near-sighted means you can only see things up close or near you. Chris Hodges says, "It's the only medical field that names your condition based on what you're good at."

I'll never forget my mom driving me home from the doctor that day as I wore my first set of contact lenses, and it was like a whole new world opened up to me! I couldn't believe you were actually supposed to *read* the street signs! Or see the leaves on the trees instead of just a big, green blur!

My eyes had progressively gotten worse over time that I got used to only seeing what was right in front of me. In fact, I lost sight of everything else. For many people, that's their problem too. They can't see beyond what is directly in front of them. They can't see the future dreams and goals God has for them. They're "near-sighted" about life.

If you want to go to the next level in life, you have to see the next level. You'll never possess the momentum needed to leave where you are until you see where you'd rather be.

My entire life and ministry changed when I learned to be far-sighted. When I became more focused on things I wanted to see happen rather than what was currently happening around me, my life and ministry developed *momentum* in the direction I was focused.

Momentum is a force that moves stronger and faster over time. Think about a locomotive. The hardest part is getting it to start moving, but once it gets going, it is very hard to stop! That same momentum can work for you or against you. In order to make momentum work for you, you have to know where you are going. Let me give you an overview of some keys to creating momentum toward your dreams. I call it the F.O.R.C.E of momentum.

F = Fixed (on a vision)

If you want to build momentum, you must get fixed on your vision. Fixed means to be firm, secure, unchanging. Vision is the ability to see what others cannot see. You need to visualize and imagine your dreams with great clarity. The number one way I encourage you to do this is to create a vision board. Every team member at my ministry has a vision board. Is it a coincidence that our dreams are happening?

Habakkuk 2:2 says, "*Write the vision, make it plain.*" When the vision is clear, results will appear.

Get your vision as clear inside you as a high definition TV! Then put it on paper. There is something powerful that happens when you add pen to paper and you get crystal clear on what you want to accomplish. In fact, clarity is one of the single most important keys to success. Then put your vision board up where you see it every day. What you think about, you will bring about.

O = Opportunity-minded

Do you have an opportunity mindset or an obligation mindset? This is simply the difference between "I get to" or "I have to." Here's my point: Nobody's asking you to be successful. You're not obligated to grow, to stretch, to get out of your comfort zone. And most people won't, because they focus on the obligation instead of the opportunity. You can't be powerful in public but pitiful in private.

If you want to build momentum, you have to focus on the opportunities (not the obligations). That begins with a change in your outlook. Look at every situation as an opportunity to invest in yourself. Every day is another opportunity to grow.

Momentum is developed through constancy and repetition over an extended period of time.

There is no microwave, fast food, instant rice, shortcut to excellence. We have lost our understanding of preparation.

My life didn't change overnight just because I put a vision board on my wall. Change happened one faith-building CD at a time. When I changed my routine, it changed my whole life. The secret to your future is hidden in your daily routine. I challenge you to constantly look for opportunities to invest in yourself. Build a personal library. Start a routine of hearing the Word every day as you commute to the office or load the dishes or drive to school.

A lady walking through a market saw the famous

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painter Picasso and said, "Picasso, can you draw me a portrait?" He reached for a pen and paper, and in 30 seconds he sketched her portrait! He handed it back and said, "That will be \$30,000." She said, "How can you charge me \$30,000 when it took you 30 seconds?" He said, "It took me 30 years to be able to do that in 30 seconds!"

The more you invest in yourself, the more valuable you become.

R = Resilient

Have you ever been around someone with a victim mentality? They think they are the only one who has struggled. It's easy to feel that way when it appears everyone else has it so easy. Keith Moore says, "Never feel sorry for yourself. You'll be doomed to failure."

Every successful person has faced major storms, attacks, failures, disappointments, obstacles, delays and has wanted to quit. But they chose to be resilient. Resilience is the ability to recover quickly from difficult conditions.

You may have been through major disappointments, but this is not the time to turn back and give up. This is not the time to feel sorry for yourself or compare yourself to others. Nobody ever goes from mountain top to mountain top. What you think is a setback is really a setup for your future. Be resilient. Get back up and keep moving forward toward your dreams and goals. My favorite preacher (Jerry Savelle) says, "When you feel like giving up 'the most' that's always an indication your breakthrough is about to happen!"

C = Choose to be grateful

If you want momentum to work against you, complain. Nothing will delay your dreams

like complaining. Jim Rohn says, "Complaining: indulge in this slightly and you might as well forget the future."

That's what happened to the Israelites. When they were headed to the land of abundance, they lost focus on God's promise and started complaining. They griped about the water, the food, the leadership, the distance, the weather. You name it, they complained about it. Finally, God said, "I've had it. Cancel the trip." They lost their promise because of their complaining.

Expressing gratitude is a principle proven throughout the Bible. We see story after story of how gratitude (just saying 'thank you') touched the heart of God and became a magnet for miracles!

Successful people, celebrities, life coaches have stumbled across this biblical key and have seen outstanding results. I even heard Oprah Winfrey say, "If you focus on what you don't have, you will never ever have enough. If you concentrate on what you have, you will always end up having more." She stopped complaining and started journaling her gratitude. She wrote something every day that she was grateful for. Sixteen years later, she says, "It was the single most important thing I believe I have ever done!" Oprah is worth \$2.7 billion.

So, I put myself on a 30 day challenge: (1) no complaining and (2) to journal my gratitude. In that single month, a seven-year dream to speak at a conference came to pass; my daughter received a modeling contract (after five months of praying); my income significantly increased; I had the opportunity to close out Joel Osteen's church service on Sirius XM (favor!) and our ministry

received more donations ever in that single month! If you want unprecedented momentum, be grateful. The Bible says, "Be thankful and say so" (Psalm 100:4).

E = Encourage yourself

If you want to know where your life is headed, listen to the words coming out of your mouth. Become your own best cheerleader through positive declarations. Life and death are in the power of the tongue (Proverbs 18:21).

This is also a two-step process: (1) stop speaking negatively and (2) start speaking positively. In other words, it may look like your dreams will never happen, but don't speak it. It may look like it's going to take years to achieve, but don't speak it. Don't use your words to "describe" your life, use your words to "change" your life!

You've got to "encourage yourself in the Lord." Give yourself a pep talk, declare the promises of God in your life. When I stopped saying negative things and started declaring the Word of God over myself; my finances, my family, my fitness, my dreams and goals, my life began to move in the direction of my words.

If you'll change what you're saying, you'll change what you're seeing.

I encourage you to use these keys to develop the F.O.R.C.E. to change your momentum in the right direction, and you'll begin to see your dreams come to pass.



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